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Governor signs Kuipers' bill to rename U.S. 31 structure Veterans Memorial Bridge

LANSING — The bill sponsored by Sen. Wayne Kuipers, R-Holland, that renames a bridge in Ottawa County in honor of American veterans was signed by the governor, the senator announced today.

Now Public Act 146 of 2004, Kuipers' measure names a Grand Haven bridge on U.S. 31 between Jackson Street and the M-104 exit "Veterans Memorial Bridge."

"I commend the Grand Haven leaders who saw this effort through," Kuipers said. "Especially now with U.S. troops serving abroad, we here back home need to ensure we honor the courage and sacrifice of veterans. This effort, while a relatively small token, helps remind us who guarantees our freedom."

During an earlier hearing on his bill, Kuipers welcomed Patrick McGinnis, Grand Haven's city manager, and K.D. Kelly and James de Spelder of American Legion Post 28 in Grand Haven, to observe the proceedings.

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A photo of Kuipers and three Ottawa County leaders is available at senate.michigan.gov/gop/photowire. The leaders came to Lansing to observe Senate action on the bill.